

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended): A skimmer and filter unit for use with a body of water, comprising:

a tank portion comprising an upright approximately cylindrical tank, said tank portion for
receiving water from a body of water;
a neck extending from said tank, said neck comprising a weir faceplate assembly;
a skimmer chamber within said tank portion; and
an ultraviolet light chamber within said same tank portion.

2. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 1 further comprising a pump chamber within
said tank.

3. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 1 further comprising a filter chamber within said
tank portion.

4. (cancelled)

5. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 4 wherein said weir faceplate assembly
comprises:
an interchangeable weir faceplate defining a weir opening;
a pivoting weir door
a weir divider slidable into mating slots of said neck to form a fluid conduit that coincides
with the dimensions of said weir opening.

6. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 4 wherein said weir faceplate assembly
comprises a locking tab for securing a weir door in a closed position

7. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 1 further comprising an interlocking lid mating to said tank portion for reducing deformation of said tank portion by an environment.

8. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 7 wherein said lid comprises a coarse exterior surface for increased frictional contact with external surroundings.

9. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 1 wherein said ultraviolet light chamber comprises an interior and exterior defined by said tank portion, said interior for containing an ultraviolet light, said exterior for receiving a mount, said mount comprising mating slots for receiving a locking ring affixed to said ultraviolet light.

10. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 1 wherein said ultraviolet light chamber is in fluid communication with said skimmer chamber.

11. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 2 further comprising a bypass valve positioned between said pump chamber and said skimmer chamber.

12. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 3 wherein said ultraviolet light chamber is in fluid communication with said filter chamber.

13. (original): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 3 further comprising a pump chamber, said pump chamber in fluid communication with said filter chamber.

14. (currently amended): A method of treating water from a body of water, the method of comprising the steps of:

receiving water through a weir opening in a tank;
skimming water received through the weir opening;
subjecting the received water to ultraviolet light within the same tank; tank;
sensing the water level in a pump chamber; and
operating a bypass valve between the pump chamber and a skimmer chamber based
upon the sensed water level.

15. (original): The method of claim 14 further of comprising the step of directing the water through a filter chamber.

16. (original): The method of claim 14 further of comprising the step of directing the water from a skimming chamber downward and toward an ultraviolet light chamber.

17. (cancelled)

18. (currently amended): A method of treating water from a body of water, the method of comprising the steps of:

receiving water through a weir opening located at an upper portion of an upright tank;
skimming water with a skimmer basket located downstream and approximately beneath the weir opening;
directing skimmed water through a unidirectional port defined in a lower portion of a partitioning wall of the upright tank to an ultraviolet light chamber within the same tank.

19. (new): A skimmer and filter unit for use with a body of water, comprising:

a tank portion receiving water from a body of water;

a skimmer chamber within said tank portion; and

an ultraviolet light chamber within said same tank portion; and

wherein said ultraviolet light chamber comprises an interior and exterior defined by said tank portion, said interior for containing an ultraviolet light, said exterior for receiving a mount, said mount comprising mating slots for receiving a locking ring affixed to said ultraviolet light.

20. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 19 further comprising a pump chamber within said tank.

21. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 19 further comprising a filter chamber within said tank portion.

22. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 19 wherein said tank portion comprises:

an upright approximately cylindrical tank; and

a neck extending from said tank, said neck comprising a weir faceplate assembly.

23. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 22 wherein said weir faceplate assembly comprises:

an interchangeable weir faceplate defining a weir opening;

a pivoting weir door

a weir divider slidable into mating slots of said neck to form a fluid conduit that coincides with the dimensions of said weir opening.

24. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 22 wherein said weir faceplate assembly comprises a locking tab for securing a weir door in a closed position.

25. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 19 further comprising an interlocking lid mating to said tank portion for reducing deformation of said tank portion by an environment.

26. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 25 wherein said lid comprises a coarse exterior surface for increased frictional contact with external surroundings.

27. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 19 wherein said ultraviolet light chamber is in fluid communication with said skimmer chamber.

28. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 20 further comprising a bypass valve positioned between said pump chamber and said skimmer chamber.

29. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 21 wherein said ultraviolet light chamber is in fluid communication with said filter chamber.

30. (new): The skimmer and filter unit of claim 21 further comprising a pump chamber, said pump chamber in fluid communication with said filter chamber.